N.R.W.S. Scheme at Algood in Basavakalyan Taluk

- 700. SRI BAPU RAO HULSURKAR (Basavakalyan).—Will the Minister for Rural Development and Panchayati Raj be pleased to state:—
- (a) whether the Government has received any representation from the Public and Chairman, V. P. Algood, Taluk Basavakalyan for sanction of NRWS Scheme at Algood;
 - (b) if so, whether they have paid necessary contribution;
 - (c) when the scheme will be sanctioned?

SRI K. PRABHAKAR (Minister for Rural Development and Panahayati Raj)

- (a) Yes.
- (b) Necessary full contribution has not been deposited by the Village Panchayat.
- (c) This scheme will be examined only after the Village Panchayat concerned deposites its contribution in full:

Grant of Financial Assistance or Penson to Stage Artists

- 805. SRI MALLUR ANANDA RAO (Rajajinagar).—Will the Minister of State for Information and Youth Services be pleased to state:—
- (a) whether the Government is considering to give financial assistance or pension to stage artists who are unable to support themselves;
 - (b) if so, what are the particulars of the proposal?
- Set K. H. Srinivasa (Minister of State for Information and Youth Services).—
- (a) The Government have been giving financial assistance to Stage Auists who are in indigent circumstances since 1962.
 - (b)—

The particulars of the Scheme are as follows;

- (i) According to the Scheme a monthly Financial Assistance of Rs. 100 is being granted to the Artists who are in indigent circumstances provided they fulfil the following conditions:—
 - (a) The age of the Artist should be more than 58 years;
 - (b) The annual income should not execeed Rs. 1,800;
- (c) The Artist should have rendered meritorious service in the field of Drama.